

DAMAGE DONE BY CYCLONE

Not a Single Building Remains.

Over Three Hundred Killed and Wounded.

The Prosperous Village of New Richmond Swept Completely Away.

NEW RICHMOND, Wis., June 12.—Fully one hundred corpses, twice as many mangled people, forty acres of piles of bricks, shattered planks, scattered heaps of household goods, dead horses, through which the wind has driven sharp splinters of boards, smoldering ashes where houses stood yesterday, and in the midst of it all, shivered trees as bare of leaves as ever they were in the middle of winter and almost stripped bare of bark until they resembled the ghosts of what they had been twenty-four hours ago—that is what the storm yesterday wrought in the space of three minutes upon the town of New Richmond.

In the business portion of the town absolutely not a building was left standing above the cellar windows. Everything above a foundation was shored as clean as though it had been cut with a plane. Enormous stacks were blown into the middle of the street and the largest safe in town was carried one street and a half away, over the square beyond.

There will be several days before the number of dead in New Richmond is accurately known and it is doubtful if the entire number of fatalities will ever be chronicled. Farm houses were struck and of them there was nothing left but a pile of boards and twisted timbers. How many were killed in these houses will not be known for a long time.

There is at present no destitution among those who have suffered by the storm. St. Paul and Minneapolis, Chippewa Falls and other places have sent in bountiful supplies and there is no suffering for food or necessities.

The work of relief for the dead was carried on during the night as well as it could be done in a drizzling rain and with aid of a few lanterns. It was slow work and after dark the result amounted to practically nothing. The police of St. Paul, under Chief O'Connell, who had searched for the dead preserved order during the day were relieved tonight by Company H, Tenth Wisconsin, from Chippewa Falls, under command of Captain Hartwell, who will be in control.

NEW RICHMOND, Wis., June 13.—The town of New Richmond has been cut off of existence the most disastrous in point of fatality ever occurring in this section. The exact number of dead is still unknown, but it will certainly reach 100 and very probably will exceed that figure. As the rain continued the bodies were brought to the school house or to the Catholic or the Congregational churches. Thence they are to be taken to the cemetery, except in a few cases where homes still stand in which the remains can be kept for a few hours, during which the final burial can be arranged by the bereaved families. The bodies were prepared for burial by local and visiting undertakers, and as soon as identified were marked and disposed of as friends required.

The Catholic priest, who had spent a sleepless night in looking after the bodies and spirits of his parishioners, was one of the coolest and best workers among the many who volunteered their aid. Nurses and physicians from St. Paul, who had come down by special train on the Omaha road as soon as news of the disaster reached the Minnesota capital, were in great demand at night and all day, and when they closed all the seriously injured were believed to have been cared for. Those whose injuries were serious, but whose chances for recovery were believed to be good, were quickly sent to the hospitals of St. Paul and Minneapolis, where better care can be given them. The slightly injured and those whose cases seem hopeless were kept here and were given the best attention possible. The list of dead gradually increased during the day and it seemed tonight that 100 might be the minimum estimate of the dead, while the list of the injured will reach and probably exceed 250.

During the day the body of Patrick Kelling, the 14-year-old son of Nat Kelling, was brought to the Catholic church. The body was horribly mangled. A little daughter of a Mr. Williams was brought to the same place from the ruins of her father's home near the railroad. A boy, who was also among the dead in that church, Pat McNally, who was given in the last list of injured, died during the day, and at a late hour this afternoon the rescuers gathered together most of the pieces of the mangled body of Michael Hefron and he was added to the list of dead. During the day the scattered groups of rescuers searched the debris where bodies might be found. A fire company from St. Paul kept two streams of water playing on St. smoldering ruins, for the fire had added to the horrors of the tornado and a dozen fires were blazing away. A heavy rain at the close of the day about extinguished the flames. Some of the merchants organized private salvage corps and managed to save some property, but the amount was small.

The business portion of the city covered a space of four squares each way and was solidly built of brick and stone.

This entire space was swept clear, foundations walls and in some places masses of dead stone marking where the business places formerly stood. Trees that had lined the streets of the neighboring residential district were broken clear off or twisted and uprooted.

The tornado came up the river from Hudson, where the damage was comparatively slight. Following the general course of the river and the branch of the Omaha road, the storm gained in intensity as it progressed and was

at its worst when it struck the business center of New Richmond. Outlying residences in the path of the storm were stripped of shingles and boards or sides blown off, or as more frequently happened, were torn asunder and the fragments scattered in the four winds of heaven. Trees were uprooted and roadways blocked, washed away or so overflowed as to be made entirely unrecognizable.

A circus was in town on Monday and people had come from all the surrounding country. After the storm the people had crowded into the city to do their shopping before going home in the evening. It was at this time that the storm cloud came up from the southwest. The circus grounds were outside the path of the storm, but the people, being in the business places, fell a prey to the terrific wind. As soon as news of the disaster had reached the outside world, offers of help and relief began to arrive and several relief trains were sent in.

The property loss can not be estimated at this time, and may never be accurately known. It was almost total, for the insurance agents report that no tornado insurance was carried in the town, and in only a small number of places where fire contributed to the destruction of the property will the business men be at all reimbursed for their losses.

ANOTHER TOWN. Visited by a Destructive Cyclone.

Many Persons Killed and Wounded—Relief Work Now Going On.

OMAHA, June 12.—A tornado struck the town of Herman, Washington county, this evening, and wiped the place out of existence. A conductor on the evening train says that not a building is left standing in the town. He counted 12 dead bodies lying in the streets. The fatalities will undoubtedly run up to a hundred, if not higher.

The entire Eastern portion of Nebraska is being swept by a terrific rain, wind and electric storm tonight. The streets of Omaha are flooded and the play of lightning is something fearful.

Advices received by the Bee up to 11 o'clock tonight state that every building but two in the town of Herman is destroyed. Scarcely a piece of the many structures destroyed was left intact. Wrecked buildings and broken furniture, scarcely recognizable in its devastated condition, are strewn all around, while dead bodies lie in many places, the corpses disfigured and some of them hardly recognizable. The relief train from Blair arrived about an hour after the storm and the work of picking up the wounded was begun. In the course of an hour the train pulled out for Blair with 95 injured on board. Many of the injured will die, but some of them received but slight injuries.

From Manila. SAN FRANCISCO, June 13.—The transport Pennsylvania arrived tonight from Manila, thirty-one days out. She brought no sick or disabled soldiers.

SEATTLE, Wash., June 12.—The battleship Iowa has been successfully docked at the Puget Sound naval station.

GILROY, June 12.—Geo. W. Moore, a well known farmer, was fatally injured today by being thrown from his wagon by a runaway team.

TROUBLE EXPECTED. Eight Hundred Miners Strike for Higher Wages.

REDDING, June 12.—The copper miners at Iron Mountain, to the number of 800 went on a strike today. The mines are owned by the Mountain Copper Company, having smelters at the adjacent town of Keswick. Last week the company increased the wages of the miners 10 per cent and the miners at Iron Mountain petitioned for a similar increase. This request was not granted so nearly all the miners quit work today.

MILITIA ORDERED OUT. Will Pursue the Union Pacific Train Robbers.

CHEYENNE, Wyo., June 12.—Governor Richards this morning ordered a detachment of the state militia stationed at Buffalo to take part in the pursuit of the Union Pacific train robbers.

The latest report from the robbers located them on T. K. mountain, one of the spurs of the Big Horn mountains, north of the Hole-in-the-wall country. The Nebraska bluebonnets are expected to reach this location and the speedy capture of the robbers is predicted.

Overcome by Heat. MANILA, June 13, 11.20 a. m.—Colonel Alfred T. Smith of the Thirteenth Infantry, resident of Buffalo, New York, has applied for relief. He was overcome by the heat in last Saturday's movements on Paranaque. It is not thought, however, that his condition is serious.

The steamer Lelawee, Captain Storg, from San Francisco, May 1st with 1000 passengers, arrived today.

Schilling's Best tea sold only in Packages

THE PEACE CONFERENCE.

Progress Made at The Hague.

Russia and France Stand Well Together.

England Favors the American Proposal But Germany Shows Indifference.

NEW YORK, June 12.—The American proposal for rendering private property inviolable at sea is strongly supported by the Dutch delegates to the peace conference, according to the correspondent of the Herald at The Hague, who has had interviews with prominent members of the commission.

Germany, however, the correspondent adds, is indifferent and France strongly opposes it. She appears to think, in case of war against England, of the probability which has been shown by the Fashoda incident. The American scheme would rob her of her principal weapon against England.

In case of a naval war, it has always been the idea of the French to strike on every point of England's merchant marine trade. They are not at all willing to relinquish for the future what appears to them to be the best chance against the nation that rules the waves. It is quite certain that England supports the French view, especially because she considers herself bound in duty to back her ally.

The fate of the American proposal, therefore, is very uncertain, although Germany, probably in the end will be siding with the United States and England, which may possibly turn the scale.

At present the whole attention of the conference is centered on the arbitration question. It has been falsely asserted that the arbitration scheme, which leaves arbitration optional, is made compulsory in the specified cases practically applying to international conflicts arising out of differences of contention regarding the meaning of treaties.

The correspondent says he read the Russian proposition. It entails that the disputing parties in order to constitute an arbitration court, each of the two disputing parties shall be entitled to add a judge of its own appointment with the same right as the other judge. The arbitrator is to be chosen by the disputing parties, the five original arbitrators representing the five original arbitrating powers will be instituted with headquarters at The Hague, the expense to be borne by all the signatory powers in the same proportion as for the existing international postoffice bureau.

On the other hand it seems that all hope of the disarmament scheme in any shape has been definitely relegated to the land of Utopia, even the timid suggestion of delaying for five years any transformation or improvement in arms or war materiel in order to save expenses all around, seems to be stripped of the faintest chance of success.

Germany and both her Austrian and Italian allies, are strenuously opposed to it.

A member of the conference was quoted by the correspondent as saying that the logical military stand taken by General Corbin, that so long as General Otis is in command, he is in better position to judge the necessities of the situation and the character of the operations than men of infinitely less experience and untried judgment at a distance of 3,000 miles. The speedy re-enforcement of General Otis by 25,000 men, is utterly impracticable for lack of transportation. Such a force could be equipped and uniformed in a week with the improved facilities of the supply bureau and it could be assembled and drilled into fairly good shape in a couple of months. It could not be landed at Manila in less than four months or much earlier than congress would have an opportunity to increase the regular army to dimensions commensurate with the dignity of the nation and its needs at home as well as in the colonies.

Since Dewey's squadron steamed into Manila bay the last night of April, a year ago, twenty-three army expeditions have crossed the Pacific and four have gone by way of Suez to hold the new possessions. These expeditions have carried 120,000 officers and 325,000 men, but nearly 500 additional officers have gone out to Manila and nearly 200 men who did not accompany the regular expedition. Of the total force up to today, scarcely 1,000 have returned.

Cuban Debts. WASHINGTON, June 12.—A delegation representing the creditors of Cuban bonds had a long conference with the acting secretary of war McKinley today during which they presented their plea for a modification of the decrees granting an extension of time for the payment of certain debts.

Mr. McKinley took the matter under advisement and later consulted the President regarding it.

Santa Ana's Electric Plant. SANTA ANA, June 12.—The city trustees today contracted with Belmont Perry & Company to install an electric light and power system, estimated to cost between sixty and seventy-five thousand dollars, and power is to be brought from Santa Ana, a point 100 miles distant in the San Bernardino mountains.

TREATY SIGNED. Diplomatic Relations With the Holy See.

NEW YORK, June 12.—A dispatch to the Herald from Buenos Ayres says that the Argentine treaty with the Argentine Republic and Uruguay has been signed.

Diplomatic relations between Argentina and the Holy See, which have been interrupted since the first Presidency of General Roca, in 1880, have been re-established. The Argentine minister at Paris has been charged with representing the country at the Vatican.

Criticize M. Dupuy. PARIS, June 12.—The morning papers severely criticize the ministerial career

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BASEBALL

CLUBS	W	L	P. C.
Fresno	3	1	750
Bakersfield	3	1	750
Visalia	3	1	750
Madera	3	1	750
Merced	3	1	750
Stockton	3	1	750
Porterville	3	1	750
Hanford	3	1	750

Red's rattlesnake stockings seem to have given the Fresno team a winning streak.

Handford beat grounds will be away from it and will be as speedy as any grounds in the valley.

Handford and out-field of the Handford club can't be beat, and all they need now is an extra pitcher for emergencies.

Nolan Cook, formerly a Fresno boy, but now connected with the Visalia club, scored five runs in last Sunday's game.

Catcher Smith made his first appearance with the Visalia club last Sunday and his work was of a high order.

The Handford club has been strengthened considerably by a good catcher, Homer Carter, and H. Cresson, who will play first base.

There is some talk of a juvenile baseball nine being started at Hanford. There are plenty of young fellows there who want to play ball.

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Guibaldi, Merced's outfielder, can cover more ground than outfielders ordinarily expect. In the game last Sunday he secured five most difficult chances almost against the fence.

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In the game last Sunday against Visalia, Shortstop Gardner of the Porterville team broke the third finger on his right hand by being hit by a ball. His position was filled by a player from Fresno named Creeks.

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Next Sunday the Merced team goes to Hanford to play the club of that place. Although the Merced team is considered by many to be the hardest team in the league, the Hanford are confident of their ability to win.

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The board of directors of the Valley Baseball Association met Monday evening. It was ordered that E. Conrad be given the contract to erect the bleachers at the baseball ground. The grand stand will be put up later because it cannot be completed in time for the next game.

Shina's line-up for the Visalia game next Sunday will be Kaarsberg, pitcher; Russell, third base; Bosthus, catcher; Munson, left field; Ward, center field; Wright, right field; Baer, shortstop; Ballagh, second base; Cresson, first base; E. Ballagh, sub.

The citizens and merchants of Hanford have subscribed nearly \$400 this week and the money is on deposit in the bank. Men are at work on erecting the grandstand and fence and grand stand, which will probably be ready for the Merced club on Sunday, June 18th.

Hermie Gilbert, who recently returned from the big league, is an amusing story. Harry Lockhead, the Stockton boy, who plays shortstop for Cleveland.

When Lockhead made his first appearance upon the diamond in the Cleveland uniform, the Chicagoans were the opposing team and Base Chance was behind them. The Stockton had played a good game in the field, but had not made a safe hit up to the middle of the game when, with two men on bases, he came up to the bat.

While the pitcher was rubbing his hands with dirt, Lockhead turned to the crowd and said in a confident tone of voice: "Say, Chicago, old man, not him to put it over so that I can hit it out. You see," he continued, "I've got to make myself solid with these people, and this is my chance to do it."

"I'm sorry, my boy," returned Chance, "that you can't make a safe hit in this league with men on bases. The pitchers won't let you do it. You've got to do your hitting when there's nobody on bases."

A moment later the umpire's stentorian voice announced "you're out."

THE RING

Joe Reay will probably be matched to fight Jimmy Ryan before the Bakersfield Athletic club. Ryan is at present in the Kern capital.

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SPRING RACES

Season Opens at Marysville Agricultural Park.

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Written by the Sub-Junior English
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Of the youthful reporters are quite interesting. Of course, the scholars wrote under the disadvantage of not being "on the ground" where they could "dig up" the "story," and hence most of the "history" consists more descrip-

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Hence some of the "essays," as they are called by the scholars, are unfinished. The pupils had only seven minutes to "get up" their "story."

Here is one of the best reports, as far as giving the facts is concerned,

About half past ten we were very much alarmed by seeing a large blaze down Abbey street. We rushed to the windows as the blaze

grew larger, some left the school house to go to them. Mr. Miles' house was soon destroyed, and far above the high trees we could see smoke and flame ascending from the smoldering ruins of Mr. Oakden's.

the pretty cottage of Mr. Ockelman. From our High School windows we could see rigs and buggies from all directions going to the destined place, and Abbey street was soon blocked with vehicles. Many freight-

and people could be seen standing on barns and various houses, waiting them down to ward on the sparks from the burning masses. Dense clouds of smoke and flames ascended from the burning villages

and we were very glad to have the privilege, which was given us by Miss Cory, of gazing out of the windows. We are sorry that the fire engines could not lend their aid but as the fire was outside the

Here is a production giving evidence of an embryo yellow journalist:

that rang through the avenue when we were in English. It was almost useless for the teacher to have order, so we were all allowed to watch the fire from the windows. As the building which was-

burning was surrounded by trees, we could not see much. The streets were full of women and men who ran every which-way, trying to find out whose house it was. I am not sure, but I think the house

belonged to a brother of one of our class mates. I would not be that poor boy for anything. Just think of the questions he will have to answer when he returns, and how the people will come to him and

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This morning during the recess period a fire broke out in a building about two blocks north of the school house, and soon a large blaze sprang up among the trees and the

house was soon consumed. The pupils in the English class were very eager to see this fire, for a fire seen from a place like a school room possesses more fascination for a class than if the fire had broken

out while they were on the street or at liberty to go to it. An alarm was not sounded until the house was almost entirely consumed, and and when the engines arrived they

A typical essay is the sub-joined one, describing the scene in the class room-rather than the fire. The writer is also mistaken as to the houses destroyed:

It was recess and most of the pupils saw the first smoke. Tom Sims thought it was his brother's house, and went home. We were beginning to see the flames when the bell rung and we had to go to

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us did not want to do that. But when she told us we could go to the window we forgot all about that. When we returned to our seats we had to write an essay. Most of the grammar grade boys

went to the fire and some of the high school, taking manual training. From them we learned that Mr. Sims' and Mr. Schaffer's houses had burnt.

Beasley—Neff.
Rev. R. F. Beasley, the minister of the South Methodist church at Dos Palos, and Mrs. Mary E. Neff were

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identically what I do when I take cold.
At druggists, 25c and 50c.

